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Dear Manufacturers and Importers:

As you are aware, the Consumer Product Safety Commission's (CPSC) new national flammability standard that requires mattresses, mattress sets, and futons to resist ignition to an open-flame source, takes effect July 1, 2007.

In an effort to assist manufacturers and importers prepare for this standard, the CPSC is hosting two one-day seminars on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 in Bethesda, Maryland and Wednesday, April 11, 2007 in San Diego, California. The seminars will cover topics such as building a compliant mattress, ensuring compliance through production, electronic records and record keeping, and working with a testing lab. The seminars will take place at the following locations:

March 28, 2007

CPSC Headquarters
4330 East-West Highway- 4th Floor
Bethesda, Maryland 20814

April 11, 2007

San Diego State Building
1350 Front Street, Room B-109
San Diego, California 92101

We will continue to provide you with information about the law, education, and technical assistance for this new federal flammability standard. We hope you will make time to attend one of these important sessions. For detailed information or to register for these upcoming events, please visit the CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov/businfo/mattresseminar.html> or contact us at (916) 574-2041.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Brian J. Stiger'.

BRIAN J. STIGER
Chief

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Staff Mattress Seminars

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For further details or registration information:

www.cpsc.gov/businfo/mattress.html

Draft Seminar Program*

- *CPSC Office of Compliance, Engineering Sciences, Office of the General Counsel, and Laboratory Sciences Staff*
- *California Bureau of Home Furnishings & Thermal Insulation Staff*
- *Components, Production, Prototyping, Quality Control*
Jay Rappaport, Atlantic Thread & Supply
Tom Taylor, Western Nonwovens
Steven Ogle, Leggett & Platt, Inc.
Kenny Parrish, Tietex International, Inc.
- *Prototyping*
Bob Sabalaskey, Lilly Management Group
Ed Kowalski, Precision Textiles
- *Testing*
Tom Ohlemiller, NIST
Timothy McRee, Wm T. Burnett & Co.
- *Recordkeeping, Compliance*
CPSC staff
- *Tabletop Displays--available throughout the day*

* Program subject to change